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COUNTRY : Yugoslavia

SUBJECT : Yugoslav Resistance Activities

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1. The following groups are among those illegally sent into Yugoslavia over the west and north-west borders by Royal Yugoslav Army emigre leaders during the summer months of 1946:

- (a) A lieutenant with 16 men was sent to the Prekmurje sector between the Drava and Mura Rivers. This group exists in the field as a military organization and has grown to a unit of 186 men. Attempts will be made to recruit new men.
- (b) A sergeant with 12 men was sent to the Pohorje sector. The strength of the group is now 118 men.
- (c) A reserve infantry lieutenant with 7 men was sent to the Slov Gorice sector. The present group strength is 80 men.
- (d) A sergeant with 7 men was sent to the Prlekija (Ptuj) sector. The present strength is 126 men.
- (e) A lieutenant with 7 men was sent to the Maribor sector. The units present strength is 250 men. At the beginning of September, 200 Partisans of Tito's army, who escaped from Maribor, joined the unit.

These groups are armed with light infantry weapons, machine guns, sub-machine guns, rifles, hand grenades, and pistols. Weapons were bought or were given to them by the local population. They obtain ammunition by attacking ammunition stores of smaller Communist groups. Their life and work is that of guerrilla fighters. Each group has a doctor or medic and some medical supplies.

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2. The groups have made contact with other resistance groups among which are the following:

- (a) A group of 600 men led by a priest. The Chief of Staff is a Serbian captain who is called "Captain Kost" by his men in the Podgorje, Brusnica, Urbanje, Seljani, and Rasinpol areas.
- (b) A group of 500 men under a captain in the Majevicki area.
- (c) A group of 250 men under a sergeant in the Pecavski area.
- (d) A group of from 6- to 100 men under the leadership of a former near Obren in the vicinity of the village of Krause.
- (e) A group of 220 men under a lieutenant in Gornji Kotar covering the area up to Karlovac. This group is also in contact with groups in Moregovina under a reserve captain.

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